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Comments on SR Division Training Memorandum

- REF : SR Division Memorandum for DDP Training Officer, dated 11 May 1960, Subject: SR Division Training Requirement for Calendar Years 1960 and 1961
 - 1. Comments of the Operations School on referenced memorandum will be limited to those paragraphs referring to courses being conducted by the Operations School.
 - 2. The following references are to appropriate paragraphs in the SR memorandum:
 - (5a) As you are aware, the DDP Training Office and OTR are presently re-examining the Clandestine Services Liaison Operations Course. In regard to the comment concerning the type of officers who have taken the course, a survey of the eleven courses conducted to date indicates that the selection of officers for attendance at the CSLO Course is primarily a responsibility of the DDP Training Officer and a matter upon which he must make a decision. In regard to the content of the course, efforts are being made to determine the desires of the Clandestine Services for future runnings.
 - (5b) The Operations School will be happy to discuss with representatives of SR Division their concept of training case officers "within the framework of a specific and non-theoretical denied area situation." We are not at all certain that we understand the basic difference between what you may call normal operations and denied area operations as envisaged by SR Division.
 - (5c) I cannot agree that training on a half-day basis with the individuals enrolled for training being at the constant call of their respective desks could have a favorable result from a training point of view.
 - (5d) As I see it, you can't satisfy everyone. The SR comment is that some of our courses are too detailed whereas other individuals have commented that we do not dig deeply enough into a subject. Personally, I would prefer to err on the side of too much rather than too little.

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- (5e) I have no comment to make about this statement.
- (5f) It is suggested that the DDP Training Officer refer this comment to the CI Staff; and if that Staff agrees, the Operations School will be happy to discuss either modification of present courses or the development of a more advanced CI Operations Course.
- (5g) This comment falls in the same category as that in (5e) to which I have no statement to make.
- 3. Basically, it seems to me that these comments and proposals should be handled by the DDP Training Officer in connection with the needs and requirements of this Division as well as other divisions in the Clandestine Services after which OTR should be informed of the over-all Clandestine Services requirements. As has been stated before, "We can't win them all." Trying to satisfy the needs of one division may quite possibly cause failing to meet the requirements of the others.

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